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### **TRA Directors Select Eddie Roberson As Interim Chairman**

**NASHVILLE, Tenn.** – Tennessee Regulatory Authority directors elected Eddie Roberson today to serve as interim chairman of the agency responsible for regulating the state's privately-owned utilities.

Roberson succeeds former Chairman Tre Hargett who was recently appointed Secretary of State by the Tennessee General Assembly.

In assuming the office of Interim Chairman, Roberson said: "I am truly honored to have been given this opportunity. I have worked at the TRA for over 33 years and deeply appreciate its critical role of protecting the public interest conferred to it by the General Assembly. I look forward to working closely with my colleagues and good friends, Directors Sara Kyle and Mary Freeman and the competent and dedicated professional staff."

Roberson was appointed by Governor Phil Bredesen in 2006 as director and reappointed in 2008. Roberson served as chairman of the agency for the 2007 - 2008 fiscal year.

He will once again assume the responsibilities as the chief administrative officer of the agency with the power and duty to conduct the ordinary and necessary business in the name of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority.

The agency's four directors each serve revolving one-year terms as chairman. The election of a permanent chair will be conducted by the TRA following the confirmation of a new director appointed by Lieutenant Governor Ron Ramsey.

The TRA's mission is to promote the public interest by balancing the interests of utility consumers and providers. For more information on the TRA, visit online at [www.state.tn.us/tra](http://www.state.tn.us/tra).

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